# This includes:

- young adults who have left school and would benefit from community participation supports: or
- have been waiting for day support services: and
- are not eligible for Ontario Disability Support Program Employment Supports.

Applicants may be living at home with their families or in other living arrangements including group homes, supported independent living or with a Family Home provider.

# What can the funding be used for?

It can be used to purchase community supports. This means people can hire a support person or service provider to help them prepare for a job, volunteer in the community, gain adult living skills, continue their education after high school or access community recreation. It can also be used for respite supports or personal growth and development.

# **Note: A Passport Contractual** Agreement is required outlining terms and conditions

For further information on any of these services, refer to the point of contact as identified

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# Quinte Vocational Support Services

Helping People Reach Their Goals Through Recreational, Leisure Educational & Vocational

Programs

**Our Vision** is to provide a positive and supportive

Kevin -Everyone at **OVSS** is wonderful and we all like to help each other".

work and training environment to enable all individuals to become active and independent as integrated members of society. To promote confidence and self-assurance while building work ethics and positive relationships in a dignified and respectful atmosphere to learn.







# **Passport** Funding

Our mission is to enhance the lives of adults with developmental challenges by providing a safe place, meaningful programs and positive relationships, which promote social inclusion in society.

Laura: I like working and having fun and performing in the talent show!

Adrianna-"I

love all of the

new friends I

have made at

Tracy-I'm loving it! I like working!

QVSS." Phil-"My favorite thing about QVSS is

that it is a great place to go every day. I don't care for sitting around at home. I love making extra money too!"

## Social Programs that QVSS works dilipromote learning and gently to provide Fun!

every opportunity for service-

users to be a part of their community. We use an Inclusive approach to achieve this goal. Q.V.S.S. offers social programs that combine living and life skills with leisure and recreational activities.

#### QVSS works to enhance the quality of life for all individuals in a variety of ways:

- By encouraging individuals to stay healthy and fit which also reduces stress
- By stimulating each individual's sense of creativity
- By building and strengthening rela-٠ tionships with family, friends and neighbours
- By encouraging individuals to develop • a sense of pride in their community

# **Passport Funding**

QVSS is ready to serve you and your family with our trained support workers. We can tailor our fee-for-service opportunities based on your specific needs. With over 50 years of providing Day Supports specific to families and their loved ones we have tremendous amount of expertise amongst our staffing.

Our organization specializes in providing individualized and innovative approaches in service delivery. All QVSS staff are professionally skilled in providing supports to individuals with an intellectual disability. QVSS is also compliant with the MCSS Quality Assurance Measure.

#### How QVSS can help you with your passport funding:

- Day/Evening and Weekend Supports •
- Providing direct support and staffing
- Provide assistance with developing and coordinating a plan for achieving your goal
- Prepare for a job
- Volunteer in the community •
- Continue your education after high • school
- Life Skills Training and Social Programs
- Recreation and Leisure Activities (In and out of building)
- Summer Program. ٠
- Vacations and Excursions
- Utilize local resources (bus, library, etc.)

#### Find out what is available in your community.

#### **Administrative Support Services**

You can purchase Administrative Support services from Quinte Vocational Support Services. We charge 10% of the value of your Passport funding and for that fee we will do the following:

<u>Service Planning</u> - we'll work with you to develop your service plan for the year. We have a trained Person Directed Plan facilitator who will work with you to identify your goals and the steps to get there.

## **Passport Funding Recreational Services & Day Respite**

**Quinte Vocational Support Services is ready** to help you and your family with funding you have received through the Developmental Services Ontario for Community **Participation!** 

#### **Activities and Supports:**

- Can be delivered individually, in a group setting or a combination of both.
- Are flexible to meet your needs- day, evening and weekend supports.

• Are safe and secure-High quality supports and safety of adults are of paramount importance.

Adults who have a developmental disability can apply for a Ministry of Community and Social Services initiative called **Passport: Funding for Community Participation Supports.** 

Developmental Services Ontario website: http://www.dsontario.ca/ community-participation-supports

# What does it provide?

Passport has been developed to improve the quality of participation in the community for adults who have a developmental disability and have left school. Passport provides people the option of receiving funds to purchase community participation supports and/or access services through community agencies like QVSS.

# Who can apply for passport?

Passport is for individuals who have a developmental disability and are no longer eligible for school supports, but who would benefit from community participation supports.